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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (CORRECTION TO TAGS, SUBJECT LINE AND
DELETION OF REF LINE)

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: OCON, EAGR, SU

SUBJECT: SUDANESE FOLLOW-UP TO WFC.

1. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT AGRICULTURAL MINISTER ABU GASSUM, SPEAKING AS HEAD OF THE ARAB GROUP, REPEATEDLY STRESSED INTEREST IN SEEING THE VAST FERTILE LAND OF EASTERN SUDAN DEVELOPED INTO A GLOBAL BREADBASKET. AT THE SAME TIME, HE RECOGNIZED THAT THE SUDAN PRESENTLY DOES NOT HAVE A LARGE ROLE AS A PRODUCER OF FOOD GRAIN OR AS A CONTRIBUTOR TOWARD THE FINANCING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION.

2. UNDOUBTEDLY, THIS SYMPOSIUM IS VIEWED AS A DEVICE FOR SERIOUSLY FOCUSING UPON WFC FOLLOW-UP. A MAJOR ANCILLARY CONSEQUENCE WOULD BE TO FOCUS UPON THE PRODUCTIVE POTENTIAL OF THE SUDAN WITH GOVERNMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS ABLE TO FURTHER HER INTERESTS. THEY WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW BOTH PLANS AND THE POTENTIAL AREAS THEMSELVES.

3. USUN ADVISED THAT MANY OF THE INVITEES TO KHARTOUM HAD ACCEPTED INFORMALLY PRIOR TO THE MINISTER'S FORMAL INVITATION.

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